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Red "Wasp's Nest" In Malaya To Be Burned Out

Singapore, Feb. 18.

The British authorities will put the torch to an entire village in Southern Selangor State in Malaya in order to wipe out what they say is a "wasp's nest" of Communist terrorists. The move is part of Britain's determined campaign to wipe out Red terrorism in Malaya by the end of this year.

Already all the 1,500 inhabitants of Jenderam have been moved out of the village and placed in a detention camp at Klang, in Johore State, just north of Singapore.

A force of 1,000 troops and three companies of police made a lightning raid on the village last Thursday. It was the biggest operation of its kind since a state of emergency was proclaimed in Malaya on June 1, 1948, to combat Red terrorism.

The authorities moved out all cattle and personal properties of Malays, Indonesians and Chinese in the village. These were sold at public auction and the money turned over to the owners.

It was not disclosed just how the village would be burned. At first the Royal Air Force was reported assigned the task.

but an RAF statement said that neither the Army nor the RAF had been advised of a role in the village's eventual destruction.

Most of the village's inhabitants were rubber tappers and rice planters. They had large quantities of rubber and rice on hand when they were surprised in a dawn raid. All complied docilely with the order to pack a single bag and get on board trucks for transportation to the railway station and depart for Klang.

The authorities said the village was "an important supply link and shelter for bandits," and a centre for distribution of Malaya Red propaganda. The Federal government of Malaya charged that most of Malaya's Red terrorists operating on the borders of Selangor and Negri Sembilan states came from Jenderam. More than 50 acts of terrorism have occurred in the Jenderam area in recent weeks, including the murder of a Malaya schoolmaster.

RELUCTANT TO TALK
The move against Jenderam was seen as part of Britain's increased efforts to wipe out breeding places for the Red terrorism that has plagued the Federation of Malaya since it came into being with its own constitution on February 1, 1948.

The task has been made difficult by the aid given the Reds by 3,000,000 or more people living on the fringe of jungle areas. Despite big rewards offered for information on Red activities, the villagers have been reluctant to talk.

The British have a constant force of 100,000 and about 40,000 Gurkhas and Malay troops, air force and naval units engaged in the war against the Communist terrorists. In the last two years more than 3,200 civilians and police have been killed by these terrorists. In addition, the Reds have carried out widespread sabotage.

British military casualties to date have been placed at about 200 killed and 300 wounded, against 3,000 Communists killed, wounded or captured. Authorities say from 3,000 to 5,000 terrorists are still operating from their jungle hideouts. — Associated Press.

No Valet For Fus. Hoskins



Fusilier Hoskins from Weymouth, Dorset, radioman with the Royal Northumberland Fusiliers now fighting with the UN forces in Korea, is loaded down with personal gear and equipment as he advances with his patrol up a ridge during recent fighting. — AP Picture.

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Chinese Reds On The Run UN TROOPS IN SEVEN-MILE ADVANCE

Eighth Army HQ, Feb. 19.

American and British troops advancing as much as seven miles behind the withdrawing Communist Chinese forces reached the hills overlooking the Han River and virtually wiped out the Red pocket southeast of Seoul on Sunday.

At the same time, Turkish patrols swept the entire Kimpo peninsula ranging as far north as 15 miles below the 38th parallel on the west coast without locating any Red troops.

South Korean forces on the east coast pulled back to the Kangnung area, 20 miles south of the 38th parallel which they reached last week. They were not forced to withdraw, but pulled back as part of a line-straightening action forced by the Communist central front drive.

American and South Korean troops broke up a weak North Korean attack seven to nine miles north of Chechon and appeared to have stopped the Communist bid for a major breakthrough in the central mountain drive.

All across the front, the Eighth Army spokesmen reported that the Reds either were withdrawing or offering only light opposition. Sunday was the quietest day in more than a week with only 800 enemy troops claimed killed or wounded.

British patrols reached the Han 11 miles east of Seoul and a hill overlooking the Han, 13 miles east of the capital, while larger forces swept forward to within four miles of the river against no opposition.

At their right, American troops drove to the ridges five miles south of the river overlooking the Han valley without opposition and sent patrols closer to the Han.

ENTER YANGPYONG

An American tank-infantry force entered Yangpyong on the north bank of the big bend of the Han River, 30 miles east of Seoul and eight miles west of Chipyong. Other American units advanced to the south bank of the Han in this area.

American patrols operating out of Chipyong also entered Yangpyong and pushed as much as two miles north of Chipyong without locating the retreating Reds.

Southeast of Chipyong, British Commonwealth forces patrolled into the Reds' central front bulge without contacting the enemy.

The Rok troops southeast of the British fought a three-hour advancing action against an estimated two enemy companies which were attempting to break the contact and flee north. American units, west, north-west and north of Wonju patrolled forward without finding the Communists except for a 120-man road block force encountered three miles south of Hoengsong, and seven miles north of Wonju. The American patrol, withdrew and called in artillery on this enemy group.

An American officer commenting on the Reds' disappearance on that stretch of the front from Wonju west to Seoul, said there was no evidence yet that these troops have shifted into the Chechon drive.

The largest action reported around the enemy salient southeast of Wonju was an attack by 100 North Koreans seven to eight miles north and north-west of Chechon at 5:30 p.m. At 6:45, the Americans blocking the Reds' attack broke frontal contact and called down heavy mortar and artillery barrage on the Reds. No later enemy action was reported in the area.

Earlier on Sunday, an estimated enemy battalion attacked ROK lines nine miles north and north-west of Chechon, but the action subsided by mid-afternoon without change in the positions.

An enemy attack in undetermined strength six miles north and north-west of Chechon at 6:40 a.m. on Sunday was reported to have been contained by the ROK defenders by 8 a.m.

Americans nine miles north and north-west of Chechon called in Allied night bombers against an estimated 9,000 enemy troops at 8:45 p.m. on Sunday. The results were not known. — United Press.

REINFORCEMENTS

Tokyo, Feb. 19.
Allied troops advanced on the central front in Korea while an armored Korean unit of the Chinese Red supply routes to Seoul and occupied an abandoned Communist headquarters. — Reuter.

Field dispatches said Chinese abandonment of their most forward posts east of Seoul indicated deep withdrawal of Chinese troops from the Western end of the central front.

One week ago the sector teamed with Chinese at the start of their unsuccessful drive to crash through United Nations defenses and split the Eighth Army. The Red offensive stalled after the Reds in ground action alone lost 31,400 men—dead, wounded or captured in six bloody days of intense fighting.

The Red casualty count from Monday through Saturday was an official estimate by the US Eighth Army.

While the Chinese pulled back, apparently to regroup, their North Korean allies rushed up reinforcements for a new push against American and South Korean forces on the East central front.

Beaten back in their first attempt to take Chechon in the central mountains 21 miles southeast of Wonju, the North Koreans "are making a planned buildup of forces on our front," an American divisional commander told Associated Press correspondent Stan Swinton.

An estimated 20,000 Reds of the North Korean Fifth Corps continued pressure East of Wonju.

About 8,000 to 10,000 of these were on the front line, striking south toward Chechon, along road and rail lines leading to southeast Korea.

Air observers reported 20 sightings of Korean Reds slipping South in groups numbering up to 800 men.

Swinton said front line officers found no evidence of the Chinese shunting any of their battered legions southeast of the Wonju front to help the Korean Reds.

American artillery raked the Communist Korean reinforcement and plastered a 300-man group caught in the open and sent survivors running for their lives to the hills skirting the Chechon River, six miles north of Chechon. — Associated Press.

DEEP WITHERDRAWAL

Tripoli, Feb. 18.
Two officers and non-commissioned officers and men from the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders sailed from Tripoli last night on the converted corvette Empire Peacekeeper for Port Said, where they will join a troopship bound for Korea as reinforcements for the Argyl and Sutherland Highlanders. Volunteers from the Camerons far outnumbered requirements for the reinforcement draft. Those chosen marched the two miles from their barracks to docks to the playing of their regimental band. — Associated Press.

A Little Child Did Lead Them

Bangkok, Feb. 18.
Twenty-four hours after 1,000,000 ticals (US\$450,000) worth of gold in bars disappeared from a goldsmith's shop, Bangkok police sighted a child stooping in the street with a gold bar in its hand.

They followed it into a house and immediately recovered 80 of the stolen bars. A further 20 were found in a drain and 10 more in a coffee shop. The house was that of the former manager of the gold shop. The child had unwittingly led the police to recover 60 of the 90 missing bars. — Associated Press.

Rescued From Blizzard

London, Feb. 18.
Nearly 50 people who had been trapped for over 24 hours in one of Scotland's worst blizzards were brought to safety tonight after a day's struggle in blinding snow by shivering railwaymen, police and road workers.

It was still snowing heavily tonight in Glencoe. All over Northern Scotland the blizzard cut off towns and villages and broke telephone communications. More snow was forecast for tomorrow.

Roads were flooded in several parts of the country, in some places three feet deep.

The River Avon in Warwickshire overflowed its banks for the fourth time this winter. — Reuter.

British Ex-POW's Agitate

Manchester, Feb. 18.
Lieutenant General A. E. Percival, former General Officer Commanding in Malaya, said here today that belligerent nations must be made to pay compensation for the mis-treatment of prisoners of war, or the Geneva and the Hague treaties would be made "so much nonsense."

General Percival was speaking at a meeting in support of a claim made against Japan by Britain's Far Eastern prisoners of war.

He said that if Japan were not compelled to make reparation, such outrages as the Burma Railway death march and other horrors of the Far Eastern conflict might become a commonplace of future wars.

Members of Parliament all over Britain had received letters signed by ex-prisoners and dependents of those who had died in captivity, General Percival said.

They demanded that Britain should not sign a peace treaty with Japan until the case for including in the reparations compensation for ill-treated prisoners had been thoroughly investigated by a Parliamentary Committee.

The letters contained more than 200,000 signatures. — Reuter.

Ashes As Cure For Stomach-Ache

Singapore, Feb. 18.
Mariyappan, an Indian, told a Singapore magistrate he collected human ashes from a cemetery to cure a stomach-ache. He was charged with trespassing in a Hindu Cemetery.

He said a priest told him to collect the ashes, keep them for ten days and then smear them over his stomach. — Associated Press.

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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Mr Stalin's

THE timing as well as the tone of Mr Stalin's "interview" with Pravda is hardly calculated to produce any thaw in the cold war which Soviet Russia has so assiduously promoted during the last four years. It cannot, for example, engender any goodwill for the suggested conference of Foreign Ministers; on the contrary it will probably compromise the prospects of any such a conference maturing. Mr Stalin's diatribe followed a pattern made familiar by his spokesmen at Lake Success; namely that everybody but the Soviet and her friends are war-mongering and indulging in "imperialistic aggression." The accusations, of course, are baseless and purely on face value can be dismissed as so much nonsense. Of more moment is the hidden meaning of the "interview." Mr Stalin seldom makes personal attacks in public, yet on this occasion, for reason not easy to distinguish, he concentrated on abusing Mr Attlee, making the most sweeping allegations against his policies. The nature of the attack showed the Russian dictator in a new light; that he can be petty as well as a prevaricator. The revelation is as surprising as it is illuminating. Apart from this, however, the "interview" shed very little light on how the Kremlin is actually viewing the existing international situation. To the question, did he consider war to be inevitable, Mr Stalin vaguely answered "not yet", which could mean that Russia is not at present "prepared to take any action which could precipitate a general war. Significantly he made no attempt to put forward a constructive suggestion which would help to make an international conflict unnecessary as well as impossible. He offered no hint that Russia was genuinely ready to modify her intransigence and meet the Western

"Interview"

nations at least half way in an effort to ease the current tension. His reference to the Korea war was practically meaningless and the whole tenor of the "interview" was petulant. The British Government's reply provides a striking comparison. It contains no vague generalities but sets forth itemised examples of the manner in which Russia has violated both the spirit and letter of the various treaties she has made with the Western Powers during the past ten years. These are facts which cannot be discounted by vapourings from the Kremlin. The Western defence pacts have been forced into being by Russia's actions in central Europe, and the Kremlin has only itself to blame that they exist and are today being rapidly implemented. Russia has, quite deliberately, declared an unofficial war on the free countries of the world, taking the form of propaganda and polemics at United Nations meetings, fifth column activities wherever they are possible, open domination of countries such as Poland and Czechoslovakia, and surreptitious intervention in the internal affairs of weak and distracted neighbouring nations. For the sick and apprehensive condition in which the world finds itself today Russia is primarily to blame. Her policy to sow dissension and fear wherever the opportunity presents itself stands completely exposed and nothing Mr Stalin or his comrades say can alter the fact. And it is the knowledge of the Western Powers are no longer deluded by Soviet propaganda, even from the highest level, that infuriates and possibly alarms the Kremlin. Mr Stalin would be doing the world a service if he refrained from further public "interviews" until he has something constructive and helpful to say.

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Vietnamese Cabinet

The First Names

Paris, Feb. 18.

Agence France Presse reported from Saigon that the new Vietnamese Cabinet will include the following:

Premier, Foreign Minister and Home Minister: Tran Van Huu.
Civil Service: Duong Tan Tai.
National Defence: Nguyen Huu Tai.
Public Security: Nguyen Van Tam.
Finance: Nguyen Trung Vinh.
National Economy: Tran Van Kha.
Social Action: Hoang Chung.
Education: Dr. Pham Hay Quat.

The Vietnam Premier, Tran Van Huu, announced today that he had resolved the country's 30 days' old Cabinet crisis. In talks with the former Emperor, Bao Dai, head of the Vietnam State, and that he would publish his programme in about a week.

Vietnamese sources here regarded this as a significant step towards the transformation of Vietnam into a democratic state.

FEDERAL ASSEMBLY

Although the Prime Minister said that he would not give the names of his ministers—to number about 20—until next Tuesday and gave no hint of what his programme would be, Vietnamese sources believed that its political side would involve the creation of a Federal Assembly.

This, they said, would of necessity be only provisional and nominated because it was impossible to hold free elections while guerrillas of the Vietnam Government were within Vietnam State territory.

There would be a Franco-Vietnamese economic council, also nominated, both probably to be set up before the end of this year.

The long Cabinet crisis had upset plans for speeding up the formation of Vietnamese fighting units so that the main emphasis would still lie on the military side of the programme.

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The French authorities in Indo-China were reported to have left the appointment of the new Cabinet entirely to the Vietnamese.

The new expanded ministry will be the first to take responsibility for the additional self-governing powers given to Vietnam by France last December as an associate state within the French Union. — Reuter.

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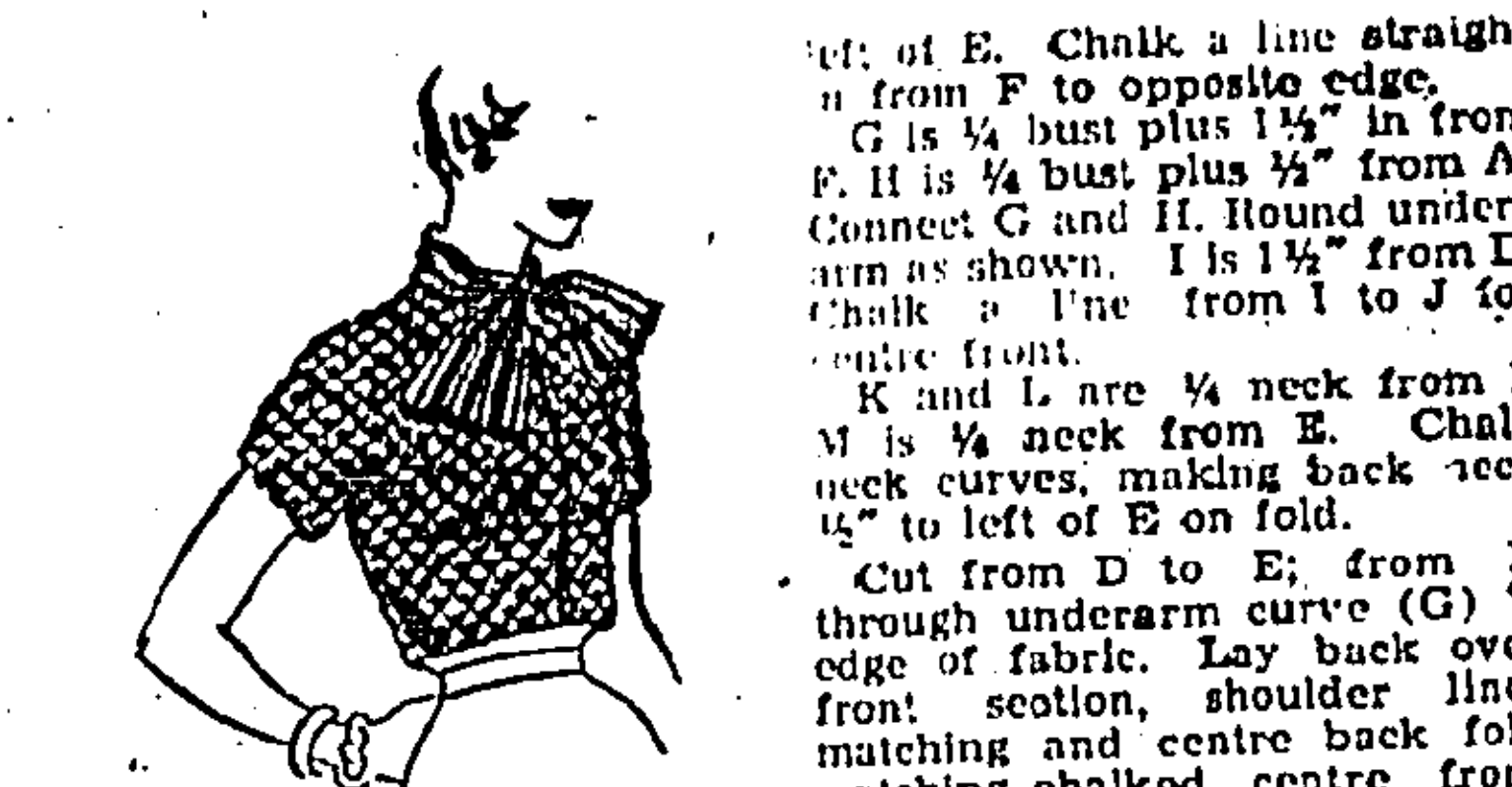
ADD 1 TEASPOON GRATED ONION PEPPER, AND IF NECESSARY, SALT AND MIX WELL TOGETHER.
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WE'LL TAKE SOME ON A PICNIC ONE DAY.
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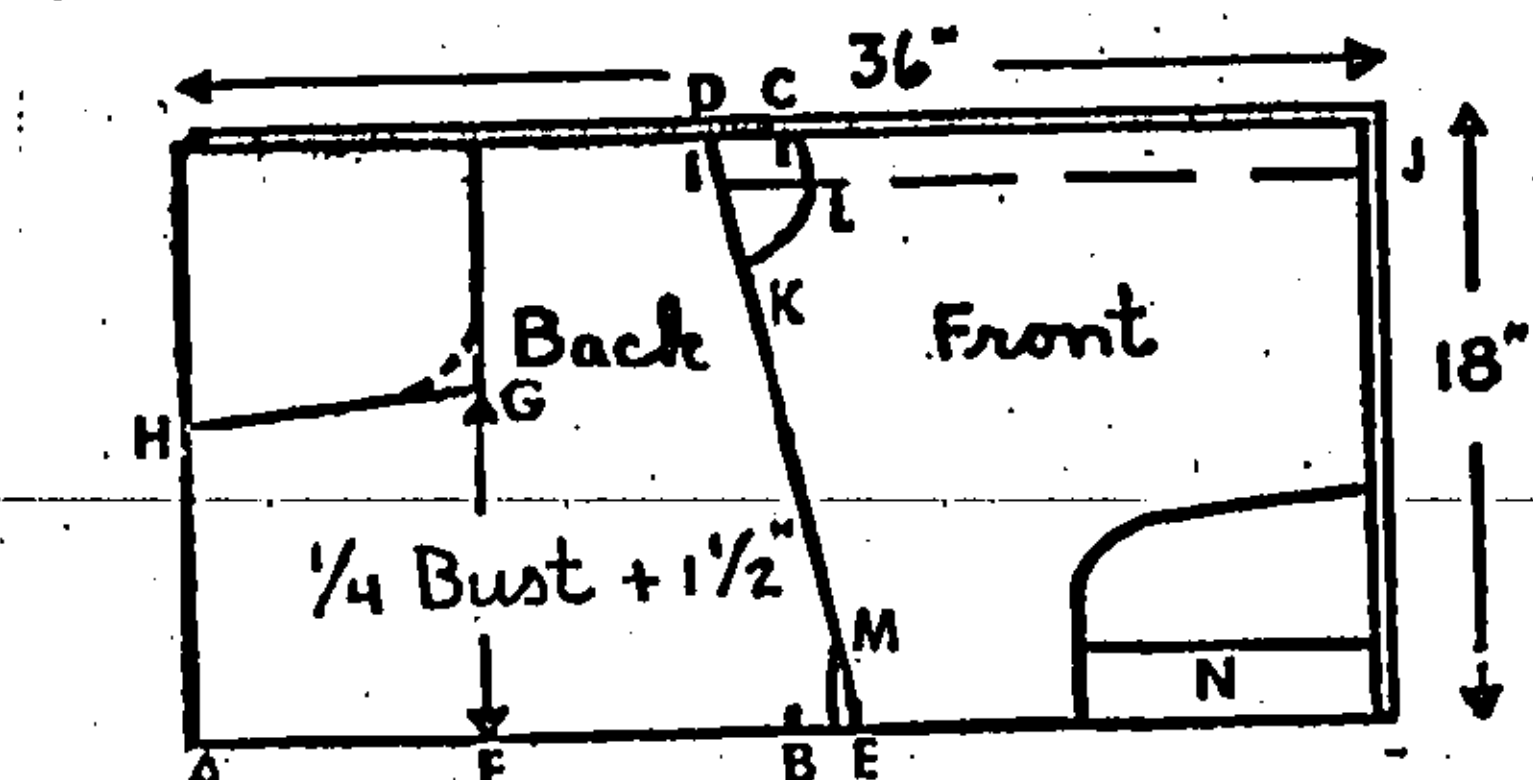
THAT extra bit of warmth under your coat is the short quilted cozy. Especially if it bonas a ray ribbon scarf that makes it permissible to wear even after the coat is off.

This takes only one yard of 36" quilted fabric—cotton, rayon, silk or cotton—black, or the gayest colour you can find, as suits your mood and purpose.

Imagine how nice to have that yard of ribbon saved in place with the back of the neck so it will tie in a jiffy and look "put" when you want it to.

For extra warmth, as well as for easier finishing, line it throughout with jersey or with a sheer crepe.

Straighten fabric. Fold in half lengthwise, with fold toward you. A is lower left-hand corner. B is at halfway point on fold. Straight across from B on opposite edge is C. E is 2" to right of B. Chalk a line from D to E. F is 1/4 armhole plus 3" to



"Lord Festival" Dances



Partners for the first waltz at the Showmen's Guild dinner-dance when Mr Herbert Morrison ("Lord Festival") danced with 22-year-old amateur ballerina dancing champion, Miss Berni Twiss, of Highgate ("Miss Festival") of the Showmen.

(London Express Service)

Household Hints

To insure against fire in the home, do not hang clothing or anything else near the heating plant or over electric wires in your cellar.

When your carpet is shampooed on the floor, place heavy paper or other protection under the legs of furniture if it is brought back into the room before carpet is entirely dry. This precaution prevents the transfer of any stains from wood or iron.

If you smoke near an open window you may like the new five-inch wide spillproof, wind-proof ashtray with a deflector grill that prevents blowing and scattering ashes over office desk or home coffee table. It also provides a screen for unsightly cigarette butts.

POINTERS FOR A GOOD POISE

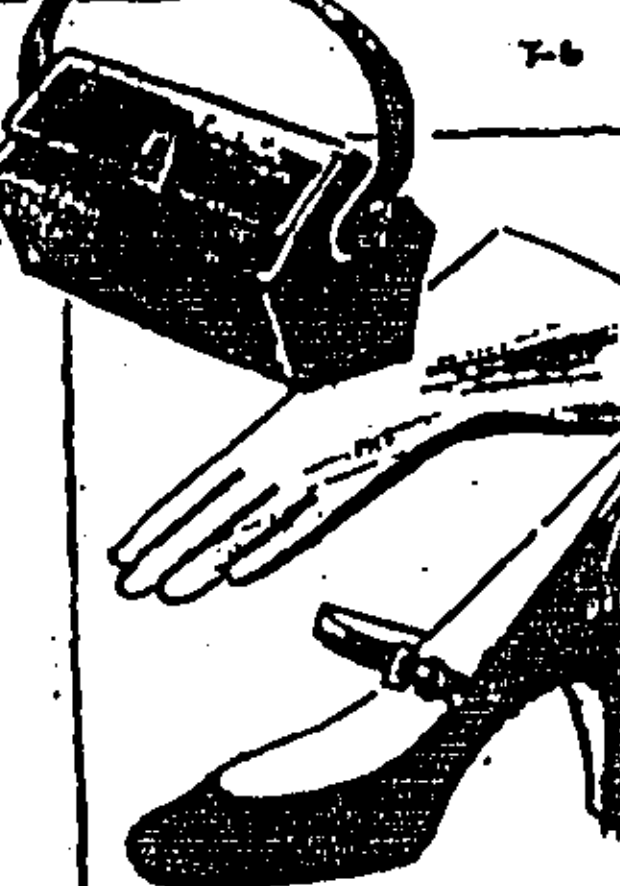
By HELEN FOLLETT

You'll look better and feel better, too, if you have good posture, says Joan Fontaine. Good carriage makes clothes add better.

WOMEN who have poise are among the beauty elite. Poise is the quality of being well balanced. Applied to the feminine figure it seems to be an equal distribution of mental and physical forces that enables one to carry the body regally, to move with grace, to have elegance of manners.

Without perfect posture—it is impossible to convey an appearance of poise. The body must be held as tall as possible without rising on the toes. This means the torso is given

Attractive Complements



Stimulating wardrobe tonics.

By GRACE THORNLIFFE

SHOWN today is a group of up-to-the-minute accessories, just perfect for now and later. Reversible jersey, one side black, the other red, with a garnish of ball fringe makes a nice little head-hugging cap. With it are shown matching gloves, fringe-bedecked too. Silky calf that can be polished within an inch of its life is used for a tailored handbag that is smartly dressy too. A mirror is set in the back of the peaked lid. Also presented is a new dull glaze "kid" guantlet faced with black. Black calf faced with black. Black calf faced with black. Black calf faced with black.

(London Express Service)

DUMB BELLS



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BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

BY the time those of you who can read are spelling this out laboriously, tongue in corner of mouth and finger moving from word to word, I shall be out of range of the barbed arrows of your displeasure.

Some weeks ago I was approached by the friends of Hunsford Hunsford, a man who had been in the system of voluntary labour in those parts.

No letters will be forwarded to me in Siberia. Telephone messages from addresses will be dealt with on their merits. Any old clothing or books should be left at 611, Hunsford-road (opposite the dairy), where Mrs. Hunsford will sort and store them for me.

If a man named Oatley calls to ask about Palmer and the Grove Nut Preservation Fund, he is to be

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BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Tea Party in the Kitchen

—Christopher Cricket Saw It All—

By MAX TRELL

"WELL," said Christopher Cricket to Knarf and Hand the shadow-children with the turned-about names, as he sat himself down on the edge of the carpet next to them. "I don't suppose you were awake last night—late last night—when the tea kettle started whistling?"

Knarf and Hand shook their heads. "You mean the tea kettle started whistling last night after everyone was asleep?"

Christopher smiled. "I wouldn't have believed it myself. But it did. I heard it distinctly. And you have no idea what happened after that. Let me tell you about it."

Knarf and Hand settled themselves comfortably for a story. Then Christopher began as follows.

Nearly asleep

"Well, I was asleep myself, guess I must have been dozing. But suddenly I heard

this whistle. It came from the kitchen. I knew it couldn't be anything else but the tea-kettle. But why, I asked myself (just as you asked me) did it start whistling in the middle of the night?

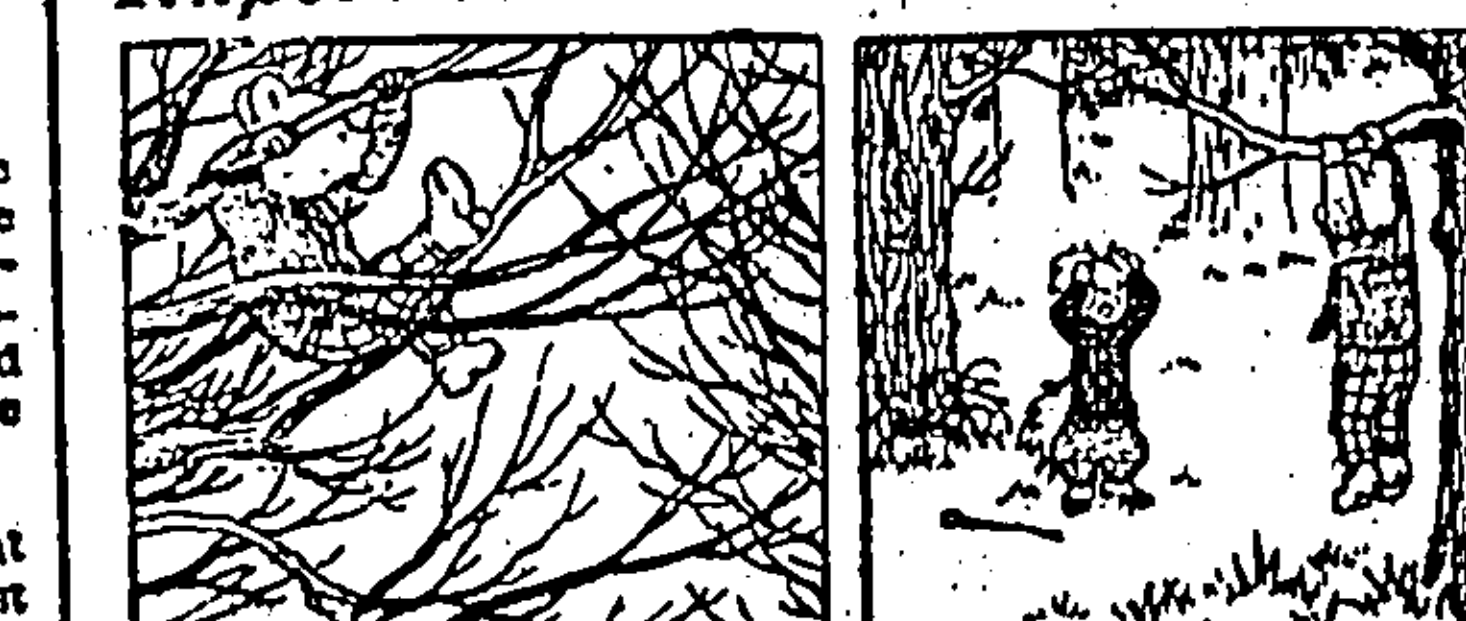
"I was as curious as a cat (which is one of the most curious animals in the world), so I crept as softly as I could into the kitchen. And there I saw a sight!

"The tea kettle was on the stove, bubbling and boiling and dancing up and down. And from all over the house the strangest things were coming. The broom came, and the mop and the pail, and the pictures that hung on the wall, and the curtains, and the lamps and I don't know how many things else!

"The tea kettle was whistling. 'Tea! Tea! Tea!' And then, continued Christopher, 'the broom and the mop and the pail and all those other things seemed suddenly to change their natures. All at once the broom had changed into a girl with yellow hair, tall and thin. The mop changed into an old lady. The pail became a little round man, with a big mouth. The pictures changed into children of various of all different colours. The curtains became girls with long ribbon dresses. I saw an old grandfather, and I knew he was the Grandfather Clock. I saw a man with a burning light on his face, and I knew he had once been the lamp.

And the next minute all the cups and saucers began flying out of the cupboard. Soon they were all on the table, ready

Rupert and the Blue Firework—6



Feeling himself floating upwards, Rupert is too surprised to do anything until he touches the branches of a tall tree. There he clutches a small bough to prevent himself from going any higher. Gently the ground below him and looks up at the old man among the branches. He calls out anxiously to Pong-Ping. ALL RIGHTS RESERVED

set with spoons and napkins and the sugar bowl and a lemon and a pitcher of cream, all in their proper places.

"And what happened?" Knarf demanded.

"The tea kettle," answered Christopher, "jumped lightly into the stove and poured itself into the tea pitcher, and the tea pitcher poured itself into each of the cups! And all the things of the house sat themselves down around the table and began having a tea party!

"Good Manners

"They all had very good manners, which you might think possible from things like the mop and the pail. No one was loud. No one spilled anything. No one leaped his elbows on the table."

"Then they spoke to each other in low tones. I could hardly catch what they were

saying. But I did hear the curtains say that they had felt chilly standing in the open window. And I heard the old Grandfather Clock say that he needed a little oiling.

"And all through their talking and drinking the tea kettle on the stove kept whistling softly. It seemed to be whistling a little song. And now, when I looked at it very closely, I fancied it had turned into a man with a brown face and a long pointed nose. But I couldn't be certain because the only light in the kitchen came from the man with the burning light on his face, who had once been a lamp. And at last, just as I was coming through the window, they all hurried off, back to where they belonged. And the cups and saucers washed themselves at the sink. And when mother came down in the morning to make breakfast, there was no sign of anything unusual at all!"

VALENTINES BE-JEWELLED

According to London jewellers there is a marked increase of interest in jewelled "Valentines" this year.

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Check Your Knowledge

1. Name the two oceans that meet at the Strait of Magellan.
2. What is a moult?
3. Name four states in the United States that begin with the letter W.
4. Why is ammonia sometimes called spirits of hartshorn?
5. Give the Roman numeral for 500.
6. Into what sea does the Volga River flow?

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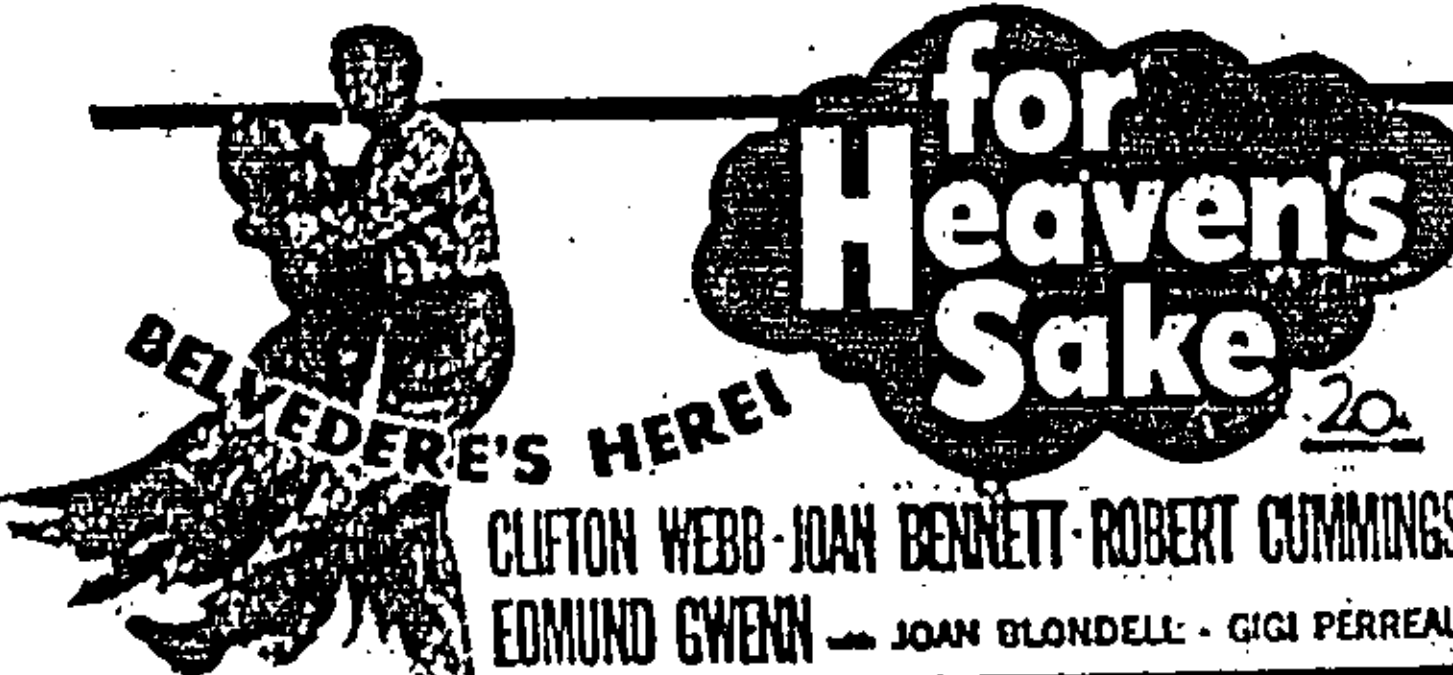
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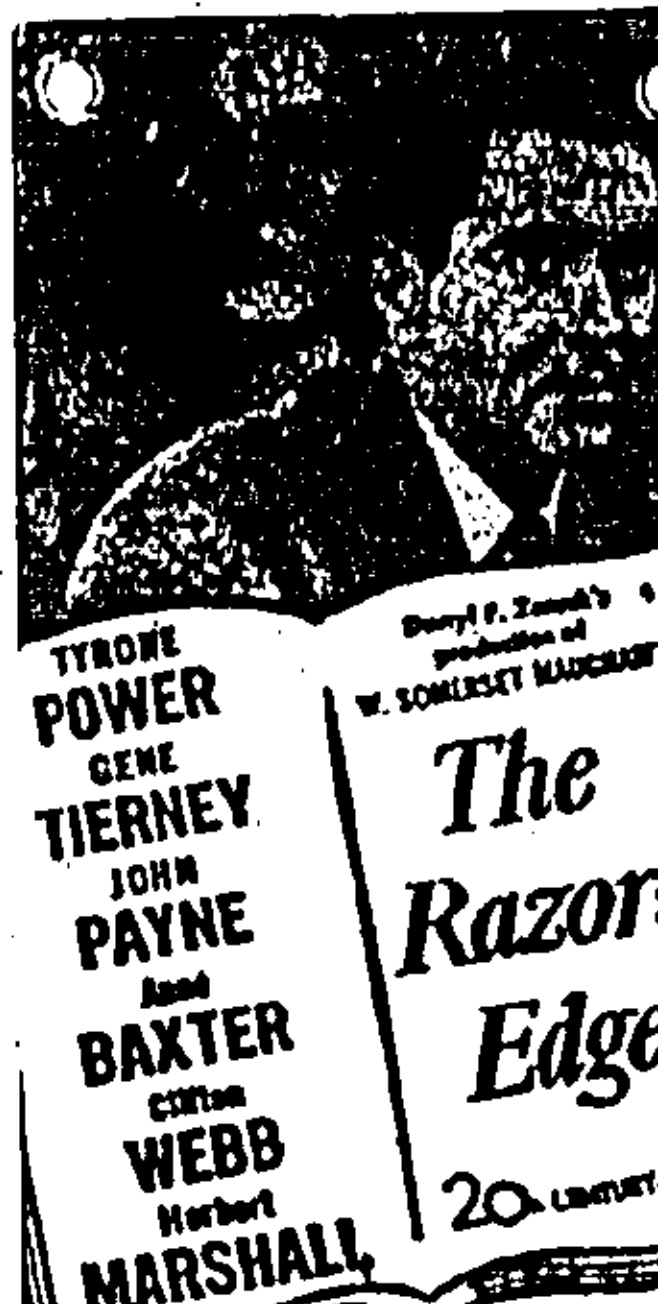
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& 9.30 P.M.BRITISH RAILWAYMEN REPORTED
RESTIVE: SERIES OF LOCAL
UNION STRIKES THREATENED

London, Feb. 18.

Thousands of railwaymen in Britain are tonight threatening a series of local strikes which might disrupt the nation's transport.
Protesting against a recent wage award giving an average five percent increase, the railwaymen in nearly all cases put off the date for decisive action until at least the end of this week.Half Ship Gets
Into PortTokyo, Feb. 18.
The stern section of the 4,928-ton Swedish motor vessel *Christina*, which broke in half off the east coast of Japan on Thursday, crawled into Yokohama Harbour today at three knots under its own power.
Ten passengers and 14 of the crew, who were transferred to the American transport *Marine Phoenix*, arrived in Yokohama last night safe and sound.
The remainder of the crew of 37 had stayed on the stern section to bring it back to port. The *Christina* was on its way to Vancouver when it ran into pounding seas. The bow section just forward of the bridge and engine room snapped off and sank after drifting a while, but the stern section, whose bulkheads had been sealed, remained afloat.—Reuter.MELBOURNE
RAVAGED
BY GALEMelbourne, Feb. 18.
Torrential rain, backed by a 70 miles an hour gale, damaged hundreds of buildings in Melbourne today, wrecked a fishing fleet in port and threatened serious flooding in areas which had been clamouring for water for the past few weeks.
The sudden mid-summer squall sent a ketch with 300 tons of high explosives aboard hurtling towards a suburban beach after snapping her anchor chain. She finally rode out the storm a few hundred yards from the breakers.
A ferry boat was blown ashore near Melbourne.
Fallen trees, power break-downs and flooding disrupted local transport services.
The wind reached record peak for Melbourne of 73 miles an hour at midday.—Reuter.BUS LOST IN
THE SNOWLondon, Feb. 18.
Relief parties fought their way today through a blizzard and deep snow drifts in Scotland to try and reach a bus-load of people stranded there since last night.
Disrupted telephone communications hampered their efforts and at a late hour this afternoon the missing bus had not been found.
Drifts in the area are over five feet deep and are reported to be spreading.—Reuter.Cabinet Crisis
ResolvedSaigon, Feb. 18.
The Vietnam Premier, Tran Van Huu, announced today that he had resolved the country's 30-day-old Cabinet crisis in talks with the former Emperor, Bao Dai, head of the Vietnam State, and that he would publish his programme in about a week.
Vietnamese sources here regard this as a significant step towards the transformation of Vietnam into a democratic State.—Reuter.Tito Lays Down Law
To Yugoslav Reds

Belgrade, Feb. 18.

Marshal Tito has laid down the law to the Yugoslav Communist Party with the warning that anyone who questions his policy of growing co-operation with the West will be treated as an "enemy of the Party," informed sources said today.

At the same time, he has reassured them that he is not "alone" and that the value of Western aid is not in question. He said that any time on Yugoslavia would not remain isolated, the sources added.
Experienced observers saw these as the key points of Marshal Tito's major policy speech on Friday at a Congress of Army Party members. The speech was planned on all front pages here today. The observers said it was a warning of local Party members to hold their tongues and to support Tito's policy of growing co-operation with the West.
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Formula
For Far EastWashington, Feb. 18.
Senator Harley Kilgore (Democrat, West Virginia) said today that the United States should be prepared to take drastic action in Asia if the United Nations failed to win an honourable peace in Korea.
By drastic action, he said, he meant using every effort against Communist China that is militarily feasible.

Senator Kilgore said Congress faced a host of serious problems but the most important centred on foreign policy.

"We must face up to the menace of Communist aggression everywhere in the world. We must do all we can to strengthen our allies in Europe and Asia and win new allies wherever possible," he said.

He mentioned such steps as blockading Chinese ports and mobilising Chinese Nationalist troops on Formosa for invasion of the Chinese mainland. On the issue of sending troops to Europe, he said it was essential that the United States "do everything possible to rebuild our European allies." Most other Congressmen—Republican and Democrat alike—felt the same way.—United Press.

Vietnamese Military
Situation Brighter

Washington, Feb. 18.

Mr Donald Heath, United States Minister to Indo-China, said today that the Vietnamese "military situation is much brighter than it was two months ago." He attributed the improvement to aid from the United States and the fighting spirit of the French Union and Indo-Chinese troops.

Speaking in a radio broadcast, Mr Heath said these troops scored an important victory about three weeks ago against the Vietnamese Communist forces. He said after three days of battle the government troops were smiling and "you would say that their heart was in their job."

Mr Heath was unable to say how much aid the United States had sent to Indo-China but that large quantities had arrived. He said the Indo-Chinese Communist forces were equipped, trained and financed by China and, indirectly, Russia. He said they had one big advantage in being able to cross the border into China while the Vietnamese and French Union troops could not violate the border.

The Minister was lavish in his praise of General Jean de Lattre de Tassigny, whom he described as a "general of the old Napoleonic type, who is accustomed to taking the offensive and who is accustomed to victory."

But week-end meetings from the North of England to the South produced apparently uncompromising rejection at the local level of the wage award and a decision to stop work in many important centres unless satisfaction is received.
By tonight delegates representing nearly 5,000 drivers and firemen in the Midlands, North Wales and at Paddington in London had decided to strike, starting next Friday.
In Greater Manchester 11,000 operators will be called out on Tuesday. Tonight 3,000 Manchester goods handlers were due to stop work.

THREAT TO MERSEY

If the Manchester stoppage becomes effective it will bring further dislocation in industry on the Mersey where half the port of Liverpool has been idle for two weeks.

Operations at the docks at Wigan (near Manchester) and in Maxborough (imperial South Yorkshire depot) also decided on strike action.

In other centres votes on strike action were to be taken during the week.

In London 800 railway drivers and firemen at the main line station of Paddington decided that they will strike every week-end until they get satisfaction on claims for wage increases.

The Paddington decision will tie up railway services to the South-West on Saturdays and Sundays, beginning next Friday.—Reuter.

Daring Shooting
In MalayaSingapore, Feb. 18.
Communist guerrillas shot dead an Indian bus passenger in Kuala Lumpur. They stopped the bus near the centre of the city and found a revolver on the Indian, who was a telephone operator employed by the Malayan police. They shot him twice with his own pistol, shot him again with a Sten gun as he ran away, and then shot him through the head as he lay groaning in a ditch.
Afterwards the guerrillas set the bus alight.
Two other buses were burned out in the Kuala Lumpur area last night.—Reuter.RED CROSS
DISPUTE
SETTLEDTokyo, Feb. 18.
General MacArthur announced today that the Red Cross teams which had threatened to withdraw from Korea because of a ban on distinctive uniforms and independent supervision had now recognised the need for a unified effort and have fully co-operated.

"It is wholly impracticable to establish a multiplicity of supply channels and distributing agencies for the civilian relief of the Korean people," the statement said.

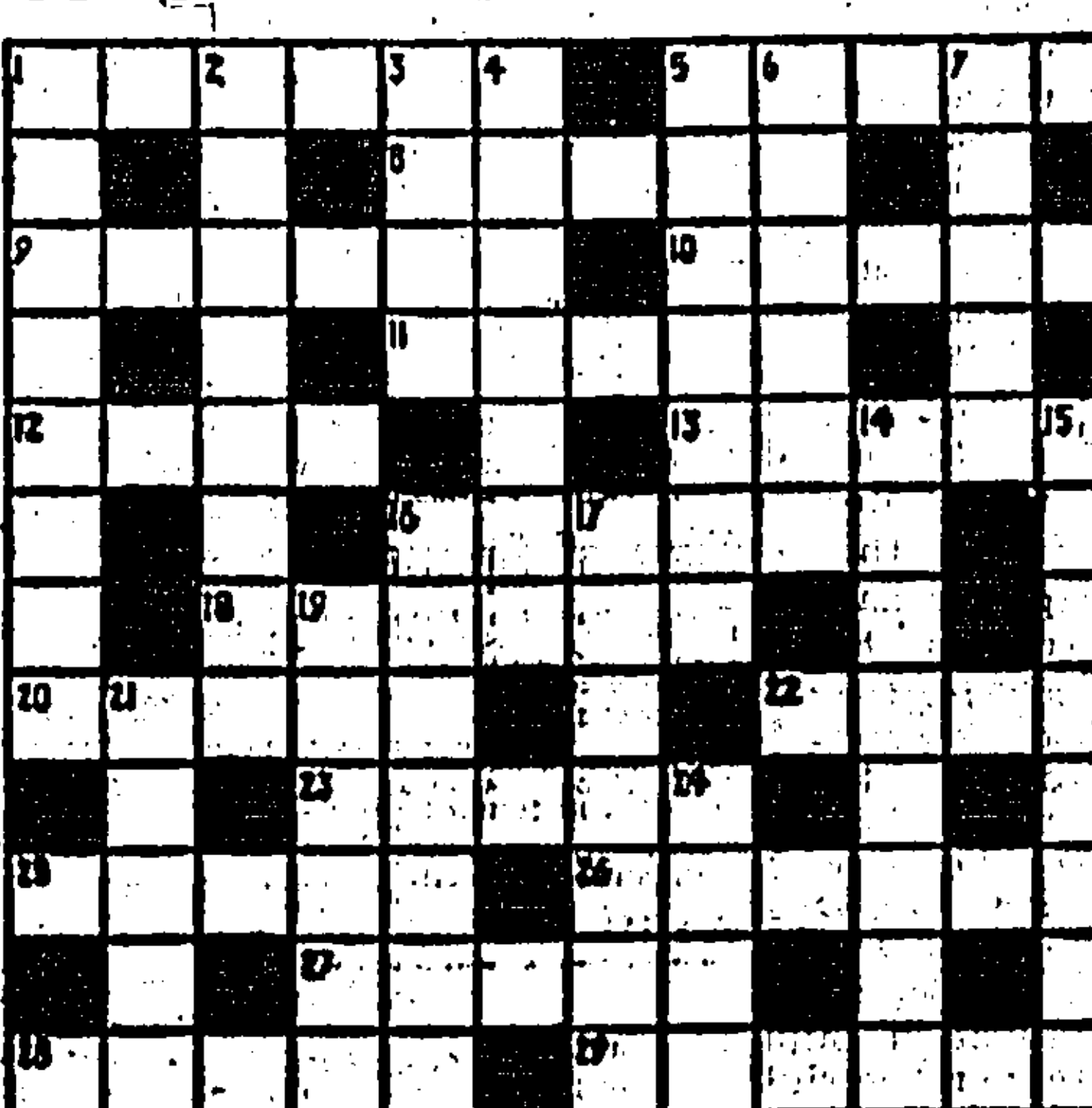
General MacArthur's statement said that it had been agreed under the terms of the Security Council's resolution asking the United Nations forces to help with relief in Korea, to pool such men and resources under the Allied command.

The British Red Cross team who have been in Tokyo for three weeks protested with the other Red Cross units when the General issued his order forbidding them to wear their own uniforms and ordering them to pool their resources under the United Nations.

Red Cross International Headquarters took up the protest and Mr Trygve Lie, United Nations Secretary-General, was reported to have appealed to General MacArthur on their behalf.

British, Canadian and Danish Red Cross men are now in Tokyo. Australian, Norwegian and United States teams are expected shortly.—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



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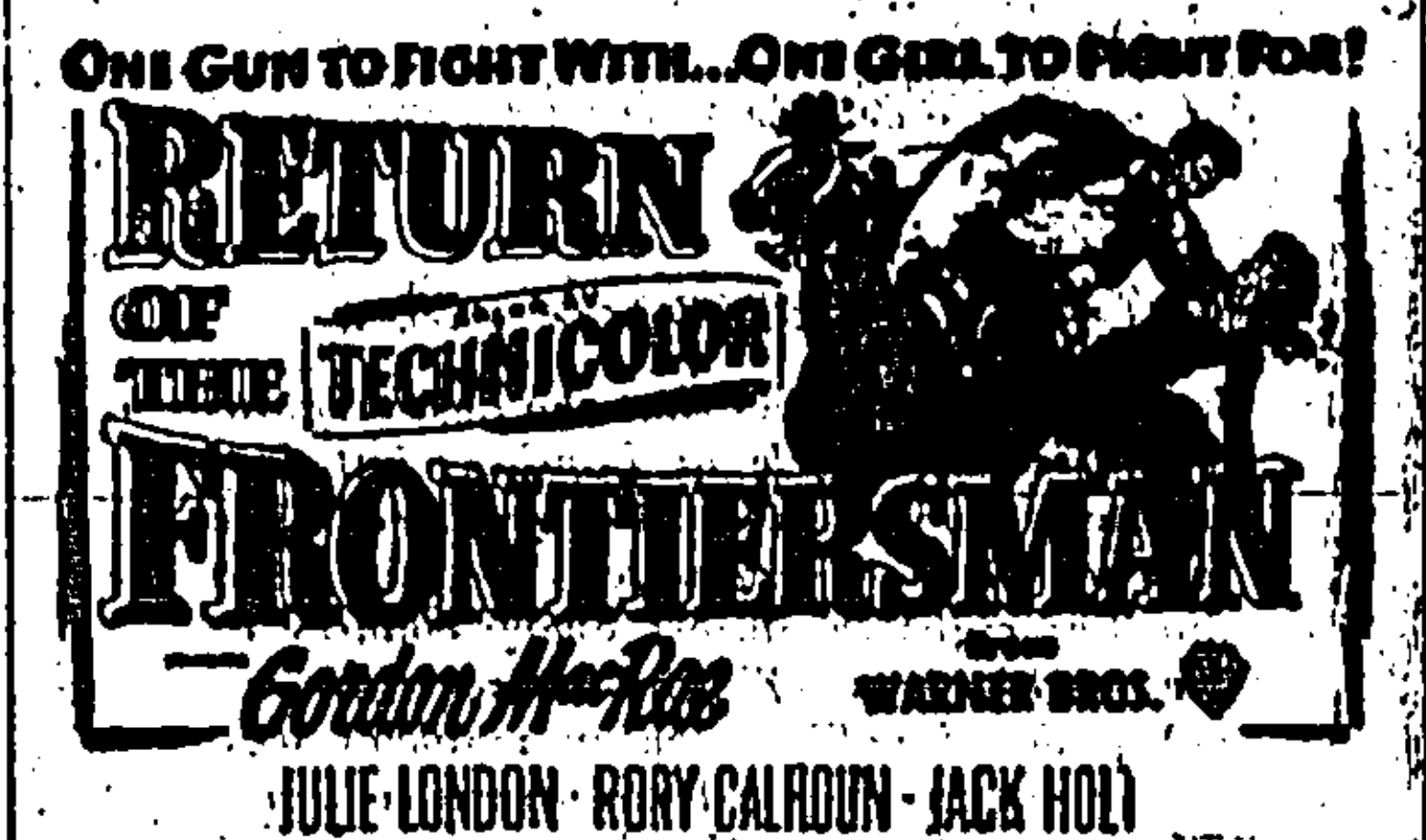
1. Breach of unity.
2. Molten.
3. Burdened.
4. Grogginess.
5. Singsong.
6. Sinister.
7. Becomes.
8. Nook.
9. Vexed.
10. Severe.
11. Dainty.
12. Goggles.
13. Hope.
14. Delicious beverage.
15. Radiance.
16. Shown.
17. Heavy food.

DOWN

1. Quail.
2. Waver.
3. Hit hard.
4. Wield.
5. Destroyed.
6. Prejudice against.
7. Aim.
8. Set apart.
9. Sink.
10. Redeem.
11. Join closely.
12. Extinguish.
13. Track.
14. Reptile.

ESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1. Period, 5. Alert, 9. Deed, 10. Staged, 11. Vital, 12. Rejoice, 14. Gift, 16. Secret, 18. Meloe, 19. Felt, 20. Velvet, 24. Loose, 25. Lively, 26. Nasty, 27. Egret, 28. Dotted. Down: 1. Push, 3. Roar, 4. Deduct, 5. Adverse, 6. Enrich, 7. Talents, 10. Gentle, 12. Impulse, 14. Glamour, 15. Fervent, 17. Class, 19. Pallid, 21. Vile, 23. Teat, 25. Byrd.

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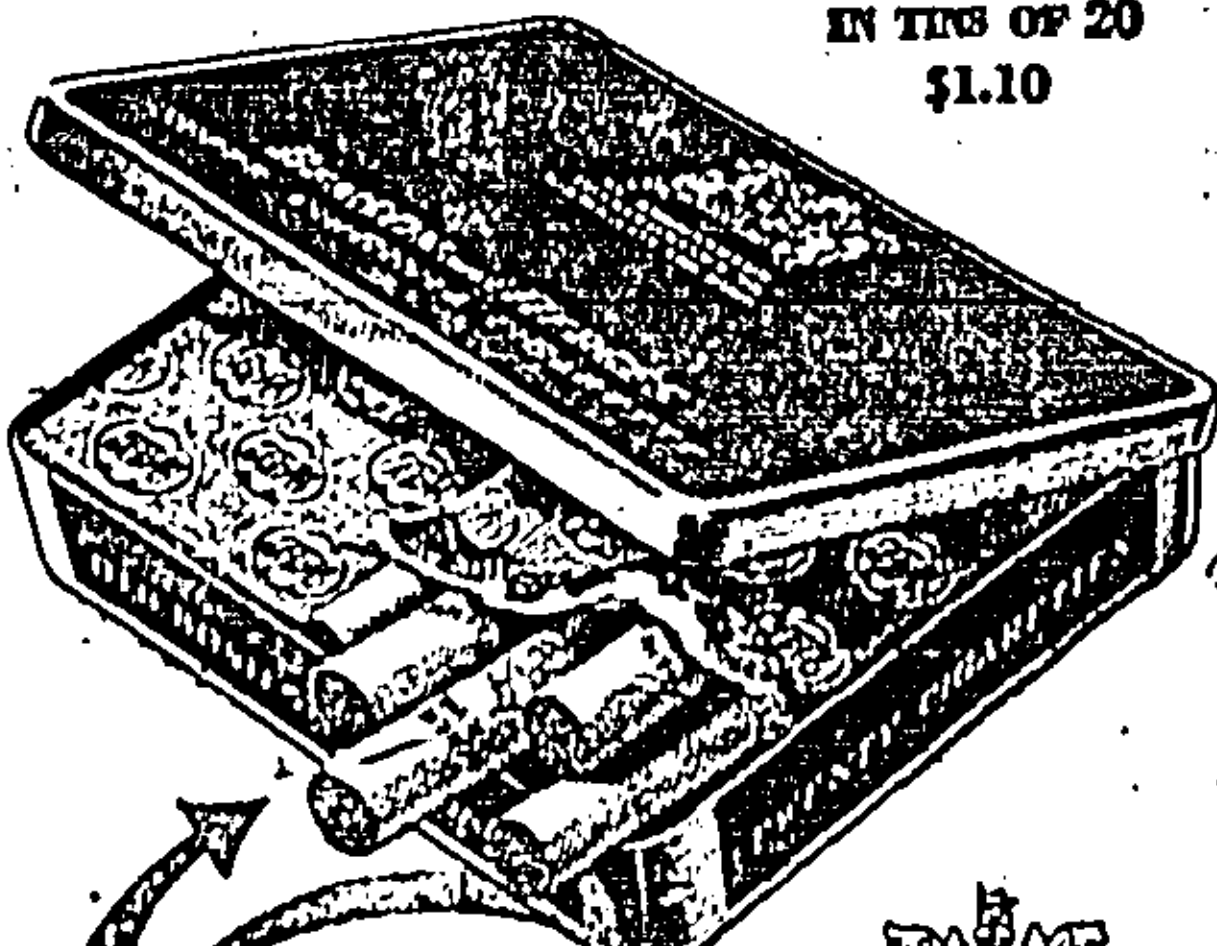
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only hope that when the war is revealed in all its naked horror, it will soon be sent to the company of cannibalism and human sacrifice. Meanwhile let us forgive our fellow-sinners.

Would you set HESS free?

QUESTION of the day.

Alfred von Krupp, the former German arms boss, is being freed from prison. Twenty-one Nazi war criminals under sentence of death have been reprieved. And Britain's High Commissioner in Germany, Sir Ivone Kirkpatrick, has hinted at moves to review the sentences on other prominent Nazis. Seven who escaped death sentences at Nuremberg—including Hess—are prisoners in Berlin's Spandau prison. What should be their fate? Here is a personal view by the former Dean of St Paul's.

by Dr. W. R. INGE

I DISLIKED the Nuremberg War Guilt Trials for three reasons:

1—A trial of the vanquished by the victors is seldom fair and never satisfactory.

2—They established a precedent, setting back the clock two thousand years. At a Roman triumph the defeated ruler was first exhibited to the mockery of the populace and then strangled while the conqueror returned thanks to the gods. After the next war the political and military leaders of the beaten side will probably be hanged for alleged crimes against humanity. War after all is not a humane business.

3—If we were out for justice, why did we sit with the Russians?

They ought to have been in the dock, for they had committed all the same crimes as the Germans and were going on committing them. Eighteen million slaves are working sixteen hours a day in the Russian labour camps, where few inmates survive to complete a sentence.

The partial depopulation of the little Baltic republics is a pitiful thing. We had in our household an Estonian lady whose whole family had been murdered. There is not the slightest doubt that the Polish officers who were massacred in the Katyn Forest, near Smolensk were slaughtered by the Russians, not by the Germans. The Polish Ambassador told me so, but "we must not say it."

The terrible crimes of the Germans, the Nuremberg Tribunal invented the word "genocide" for the systematic extermination of whole racial groups. History records nothing more revolting. The Germans have much to answer for. Early in the first war I asked Lord Bryce whether the stories from Belgium were true. He answered gravely, "The Germans are doing things which have not been done in civilised warfare for centuries." And the more infamous crime of "genocide" belongs to the second war.

But the questions remain—who is responsible? And who ought to be judged? My suggestion was that since the leading Nazis have executed sentence upon themselves, the subordinates might be amnestied. This act of mercy would in no way diminish the severity of the indictment. Trevor-Roper's book "The Last Days of Hitler" throws a new light on Nazism. The Fuehrer was as absolute as any Turkish Sultan. Even in the last week of his life which he spent in an underground bunker while Russian shells were bursting above him he was obeyed when he ordered his brother-in-law to be killed, and when he decreed the degradation and arrest of Goering and Himmler.

Men of Spandau

These seven top Nazis sentenced to death at Nuremberg are held in Berlin's Spandau prison: RUDOLF HESS (34)—life imprisonment. WALTER FUNKE (47)—20 years. ERICH RADO (47)—15 years. BALDUR VON SCHIRACH (43)—10 years. ALBERT SPEER (42)—20 years. KONSTANTIN MERKAT (37)—15 years. KARL DOENITZ (59)—10 years.

The toady

It is not usual to blame the Grand Vizier for the crimes of the Sultan. He might, no doubt show reluctance, in which case a slave from the palace appeared with the fatal bowstring and the powerful Minister submitted quickly to be strangled. Hitler was surrounded by sycophants. Keitel, for instance, is described by Trevor-Roper as a toady. But we do not hang toadies, and a soldier must obey as well as issue orders. Whatever we may think of Keitel and Jodl, English law recognises the defence of "obedience" and "constrains" there certainly was under Hitler. And in the case of Admiral Raeder



Hess: "Not a prisoner of war"

and Field-marshal Kesselring there is less room for doubt. Sir Oliver Leese, Commander of the Eighth Army, declared that "Kesselring was a very gallant soldier who fought his battles well and squarely." "With regard to the treatment of prisoners I think that Kesselring, like Rommel, set a very good example, a far better example than the Italians. He behaved like a soldier." Still less is there any excuse

for keeping Hess in captivity. He is not a prisoner of war, he came to Britain to negotiate; and he is not responsible for any crimes against humanity.

The question whether the Nuremberg tribunal had the right to sit in judgment has already been answered as regards Russia. But have the Germans no case against the Western Allies?

I believe we hanged a good many Japanese, whose fault was that they started an aggressive war, gambling on a German victory. Japan is grossly overpopulated and needed colonies. It was very wrong, but who are we to throw stones?

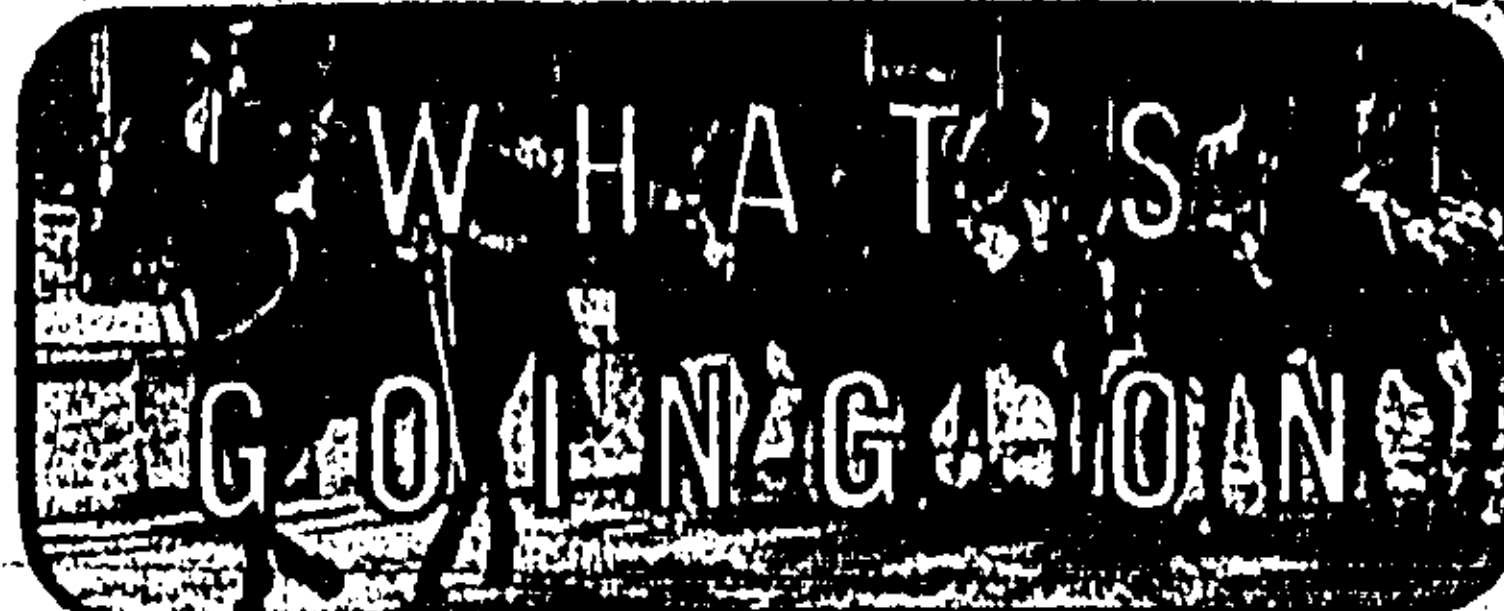
'Forgive'

And what of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, where 100,000 civilians perished and of Dresden, where our airmen killed 25,000? In both cases the war was nearly over when these holocausts were committed.

In many ways we are more humane than our forefathers. Never has so much been done for children, the aged and the sick. Cruelty, which has never been one of the deadly sins, is now the most detested, even animals are protected.

We can only hope that now that war is revealed in all its naked hideousness, it will soon be sent to the company of cannibalism and human sacrifice. Meanwhile, let us forgive our fellow-sinners.

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by EPHRAIM HARDCASTLE

THE eight-year-old Prince Michael, son of the Duchess of Kent, was taken to lunch at a famous London restaurant last week.

Quite elaborate preparations were made to see that he had something special.

"Now what would you like best?" they asked him.

"Potato soup and Spam," he said definitely.

And potato soup and Spam it had to be.

He didn't know

When General Julia (short, tough, sun-wrinkled, and 62) stepped from the aeroplane which took him and French Prime Minister Plevin to Washington he was greeted by congratulations.

Only then did he know of the announcement that he would serve in a high position under Eisenhower. According to reports he is to be commander of the ground forces.

The general was surprised—and put out. I believe he is not at all sure that he wants the job. The week before he had been made Inspector-General of French Forces, retaining his post as Resident-General in Morocco.

Morocco! That is Julia's first and abiding love. There he is at home. General Eisenhower's determination to appoint him to S.H.A.P.E. was partly at least prompted by Lord Montgomery.

The puzzled Julia accepted, on condition that the appointment should not be immediate.

He has persuaded M. Plevin and the Supreme Commander that it would be unwise for him to leave Morocco now, and that his transfer should be postponed until S.H.A.P.E. has been set up and established.

Born in Paris

A DAUGHTER has been born in Paris to Marie Madeleine, beautiful French wife of the 9th Earl of Granard.

Congratulations will be flowing to Arthur Granard from all

over the world. For this bulky, untidy versatile Irishman has many friends. He is, above all things, a conversationalist, and a wit. He loves meeting people. His great fortune, inherited from his maternal grandfather, U.S. financier Ogden Mills, enables him to live in one of the finest houses in Paris and to indulge his hobby of studying human affairs.

He is a considerable journalist, but he writes too rarely. He is a fine pilot, but flies only occasionally, taking his six-seater plane to fly between Ireland, London, and the South of France.

In the war Granard rose, at the age of 30, to the rank of air commodore, collecting—typically—a variety of decorations from a variety of nations.

'Good American'

HOW, AND when did Earl Mountbatten become "a good American"?

He tells the story in his report on the South East Asia campaign.

These are his words:—

"When I reported to President Roosevelt at Quebec on my appointment as S.A.C., he said to me: 'You are as much my servant now as Eisenhower is the servant of the The Kins. Your job might have been given to an American. I rely on you to support our policy in South-East Asia as loyally as Eisenhower supports yours in Europe.'"

"I decided to be a good American."

A Paget story

WILL THE fabulous Dorothy Paget port company with yet another trainer? That is the story in racing circles.

The trainer said to be involved in the current row is Fulke Walwyn, the cavalry officer who won the National on Reynolds-town in 1936, later turned professional jockey, and started training in 1945. He took over Miss Paget's National Hunt string in 1946.

This season started well for the Paget-Walwyn combing. Up to January 5, they had 28 winners. Then came a run of bad luck, culminating in the defeat of odds-on Prince of Denmark a few weeks ago.

Stout and very rich. Miss Paget (45) has been a leading owner since 1930. She is rarely seen in public except on a race-course.

Few people can ever have owned so many horses—colleague Geoffrey Harbord said a year ago that she had at least 400 in training or at stud—and few owners can have run through so many trainers. On my count she has discarded at least six.

Now the gossips are busy again. But perhaps the answer from Fulke Walwyn's stables is the right one. I was told: "It is all a joke."

Ike's example

WHILE IN Europe, General Eisenhower was offered the Freedom of a British provincial town.

He replied in a letter written in his own hand that acceptance would have given "him great personal pleasure, but he had a big job on hand. And he had decided that, until he was through with it, all personal honours, personal pleasure, invitations and engagements—not directly associated with his job must be renounced.

All are beautiful

SIR RONALD CROSS, the tall, slim, distinguished-looking merchant-banker who has been appointed Governor of Tasmania, has a qualified secretary and an expert china repainer within his own family.

His eldest daughter, Angela (25), is private secretary to Mr. Leo Amery, and the next one, Diana (23), does a full-time London job mending china—"and very good at it she is," says Lady Cross.

Tasmania's gain is London's loss, for it would be impossible to imagine a more good-looking family.

There are two other daughters, one 12 years old, the youngest eight. All are beautiful. Government House, Tasmania, will become them. It is a fine building, with a perfect view over the harbour of Hobart.

(London Express Service)

THE ONLY THING THEY MISSED 'Stalin created the world in six days.'

BARON MUNCHAUSEN, the biggest liar in the world, might have cast envious eyes at a post which became vacant last week: the presidency of the Soviet Science Academy.

Sergei Vavilov, the last president, has died. Here are some of the progressive facts mentioned recently by the Academy.

First: Russia devised radar long before Britain, and, secondly, penicillin was in use in Russian hospitals before the mould was grown at St. Mary's in London.

It goes without saying that the Russians were flying before the Wright brothers; they were using the telegraph before Morse; they had radio, before Mar-

coni (Popov, they say, invented it), and they were using the telephone before Bell.

It seems that a gentleman called Constantin Tsalkovsky envisaged the possibilities of jet propulsion some 40 years before Sir Frank Whittle, for there were "jet planes" over the Red Square in 1899.

Pozharov, of course, was "the genuine inventor of the steam engine." James Watt came years afterwards.

They also had steamboats before James Fulton, submarines before Simon Lake, and tanks before Sir Joseph J. Ighwood.

A Russian astronomer saw Venus (the planet) be-

fore Galileo, and, naturally, there was a Russian ship in the Antarctic before Captain Cook sailed there.

Amesthetics? Pirogov. No mention is made of Sir Humphrey Davy. Multiple lathes? Basichel.

Another Russian is given all the credit for the discovery of dynamite (Alfred Nobel); another for incandescent bulbs (Thomas Edison, who developed the electric lamp after Britain's Sir Joseph Swan); and yet another for smelting furnaces (Henry Bessemer).

Adding machines, combine harvesters, rifles, and electric transformers also have a red star marked up against them.

Credit for the atomic bomb is not (yet) claimed.

JOHN POMFRET

Craigengower Did Not Deserve To Draw With The Optimists

Says "OBSERVER"

With the cancellation of the match between Army and Navy, main interest in the week's First Division League matches was centred in the clash between the second placed Optimists and lowly Craigengower at Happy Valley.

Two points behind Army, and each with six more matches to go at the end of last week's games, "Optimists" were then well in the run for the Championship, but an inglorious draw at the Valley on Saturday put Army on safer ground — one point ahead with a match in hand.

Saturday's draw was a most unsatisfactory conclusion to an afternoon's exciting and sensational League cricket. For this the whole blame lies with Craigengower. Set 105 runs to make in as many minutes, they had chalked up 85 for 7 and 92 for 8 when their tail-enders began to "dig in" despite precise orders from their captain to go all out for a win.

EVERY ENCOURAGEMENT

Every encouragement was given by the Optimists who fought the very beginning and right up to the end of Craigengower's innings, set a close attacking field. There were at least six fielders within five yards of the wickets, a silly mid-off, a short point, a silly mid-on, a short square leg and a leg slip, not to mention the two slips.

Optimists, losing the toss, were sent in to bat on a lively wicket, and met with early disaster. Thirteen bore the traditional significance to them. At that score, they lost three wickets. Pritchard was the first to go, when he nicked a low off-ball from Crabtree right into the hands of first slip Kermann.

Craig was next in and played on Crabtree's first ball, a good length one, but well away from the off stump, to his stumps. This was the first of the four play-on's that befell the Optimists in this match, all from the same bowler, Crabtree, and one wonders whether this was due to the bowler's adopted defective batting strokes adopted for stopping particular balls.

After stopping two balls from Crabtree, Raynor cocked an easy catch to cover point Ismail and Arthy and Rowe carried the score to 26, before Arthy tried to turn a ball pitched on the leg stump, missed it and was given out low.

With the scoreboard reading 26 for 4, Kermann who so far has seldom failed to carry his side through, joined Rowe. At 39, he succumbed to Billimoria who had been bowling an immaculate length-50 so far.

An off-break pitched on the middle stump rapped him on the pads, and the appeal was allowed. Macpherson was clean bowled with the next ball, and Howard, taking a big swipe at Ewer's third ball, missed it, and the ball rolled on to his stumps. The scoreboard then read 40 for 7.

Thessen-Endor joined Rowe and stuck at the crease for 18 minutes, putting a straight bat to anything coming near the wicket, allowing Kermann to do the scoring. The partnership had added 25 runs when Thessen-Endor also went out by the "play-on" route, trying to block or off-ball from Crabtree. Thorpe got out with a similar stroke to the addition of two runs, and it was left to their last batsman, White, and Rowe to make the longest stand for the side.

White stayed at the crease for 45 minutes with Rowe and the partnership brought the score from 67 to 105.

Rowe was dismissed with 63 runs which under the circumstances were worth double the number. He was at the wicket for 102 minutes and batted aggressively for his 63, which included nine fours. Except for a very difficult chance to cover-point at the boundary, his was a chanceless innings.

Craigengower opened their innings impressively. After turning Pritchard for a single in the first over, Kermann reached the square leg boundary with the first two balls from Howard the next over. Another single by him and a four by Divercha took altogether a 13 runs from Howard in one opening over.

Len White came in at Howard's end after the next over. With the total in the 20's, Divercha appeared to glance Pritchard to fine leg, where the ball was tossed by Howard to short-leg Craig, but the catch was disallowed.

At 20, Divercha was clean-bowled by a perfect length inswinging from Pritchard, and at 33, White had Kermann's leg stump stopped forward into a straight one from Craig at 43, and Koh after a single, took two fours off Craig with well-timed "leg" hits. Trying a similar stroke at the other end, he was bowled by an extra fast one from White, and four by Craigengower, who was down for 49.

Regi and Souza added "nine runs" by single, and "a tendency to be overcautious on the part of these mainstays of the Valley team caused them to lose their wickets. Regi, playing back to White, was given out lbw and at 73 George Souza, trying to turn White's ball on the leg stump for a single, missed it and was clean bowled.

Howard opened with two late cuts to the boundary. He and Readman brought the score up to 85, when he late-cut a rising shoulder-high ball from Pritchard right into the hands of second slip Raynor. The score then was 85 for 7, with 20 minutes still left to play.

Readman attempted some hefty hits, missed on a few occasions, but fell after a good attempt to drive Pritchard to the boundary. With the score at 92, 13 short of the Optimists' score, Ismail and Billimoria began plodding along.

At 94 Ismail asked White's ball to Kibbee at cover point and in the two overs left for play, and 12 runs needed for victory, the two remaining Craigengower batsmen, Billimoria and Crabtree, played out time.

University, more than once before the Scorpions' hoodoo opponents, had the Chater Road team out for 88 runs on their home ground, S.M. Tah taking five wickets for 40 runs.

At Seokunpoo, the RAF put on 201 runs for six wickets against the IRC, the first wicket partnership of Roy Kingsford and Bill King putting on 80 runs. Kingsford made 52 runs and "Tug" Wilson, coming in first wicket down, carried his bat for 62 runs.

The most noteworthy fact about this match was that "Fatty Minu", just about for the first time in history, did not take a single wicket. Though Kitchell contributed 20, IRC were all out for 98 on a wicket that had crumbled.

KCC, helped by a careful stand for the fifth wicket between Pat Dodge and Johnny Leriou, were 102 for five after being 52 for four against Club de Recoelo at King's Park and reached 130.

Recoelo replied with 119 for six. A.M. Prabh, who made 48 runs, gave three "fives" in the process and it could have been a different story if one was accepted.

How they stand: Army 127, 7, 5, 0, 35; Optimists 137, 4, 2, 32; Scorpions 137, 4, 2, 32; RAF 130, 4, 3, 28; Recoelo 124, 6, 2, 22; KCC 123, 4, 3, 19; IRC 123, 4, 7, 12; University 122, 3, 7, 11; CCC 113, 5, 7, 9; Royal Navy 122, 1, 9, 9.

OTHER MATCHES: University, more than once before the Scorpions' hoodoo opponents, had the Chater Road team out for 88 runs on their home ground, S.M. Tah taking five wickets for 40 runs.



Junior League Playoff Series Starts

DRAGONS BLAST OUT AN 11-7 VICTORY OVER THE BLACKHAWKS

By "GRANDSTAND"

Dragons blasted out an 11-7 victory over the Blackhawks in the inaugural game of the Junior Softball League Playoff series yesterday in which Harry Louie clouted out a round-tripper with two runners on base to highlight an early scoring spree.

Delaware completed their League fixtures with a 6-4 shading over South China to qualify for the championship series, and are slated to meet the Blackhawks in a fortnight's time.

In the Ladies' League, the Canuckettes had an upset over St. Teresa's right in their hands, only to see victory slip through their fingers with a last inning costly boner which resulted in the tying and winning runs crossing the plate.

The Senior League games were drab affairs as anticipated, with the Dodgers forfeiting a game to the Pandas, while South China unloaded a ten-hit attack to triumph over the Baseballers with an 11-0 shutout.

DRAGONS 11—BLACKHAWKS 7

Dragons drew first blood in the Junior League Playoff series when they outbatted the Hawks to chalk up their first victory in the championship showdown with an 11-7 decision.

Both hurlers, L. P. Lam for the victors and Joey Grace for the losers, were not up to form and as the pitch pitched record shows, they were only capable of putting out one strike in every fourth ball.

The mound lapse, however, was made up by brilliant fielding and hitting, with Hawk left-fielder Manuel "Shorty" Nunes pulling down two difficult flies while Harry Louie of the Dragons clouted a round-tripper with two on base to spark a four-run inning.

The "Thing" whatever it was, stayed in the box. For good reason too. Sandra had just heard the ice cream vendor's call though it came from two if fussed a presence whose several outings when it was not contained in the box disturbed the even tenor of a cricket match.

In control of the box was a little blonde of five summers' experience with commanding eyes and a commanding voice of the type that cannot be moved mountains, will certainly in the not too far future to captaincy of the first hockey team she plays for. The voice is of the type that controls women, let alone men, and there is about it some other quality that also controlled the contents of the box.

The child was first introduced to us as Cassandra. "Of course, you idiot," she said, in perfect control of her first meeting with the press, "My name is not Cassandra. It is just simply Sandra. You want to know what is in the box? You will if you open it and you shouldn't do that. It's only I who can let him out."

The possibility of a cricket, a snail or a white mouse being in the box—all items of no great interest to the press—led to our losing interest temporarily in the contents. A quick glance about satisfied us that no member of the RAF team was in it. Nine were all sitting about, two were batting.

It was when the scoreboard showed 60 runs for no wickets that Sandra again drew our attention to the box. "Ken Ball," she said, "has been in long enough. I will let him out." She opened the box, revealing the not too surprising fact that the box contained nothing.

Lam struck out two and walked seven while Grace fanned six and gave out seven free passes to first base. Of the six hits registered by the Dragons, Harry Louie accounted for three which included his three-run homer and a two-bagger, while Manuel Nunes of the Hawks connected for two in four.

The Hawks jumped into an early lead with a spurge of four runs when hurler Grace failed to find the plate, and after blanking the Hawks they added another cluster of four in the second frame.

The Hawks failed to cross the plate again for the rest of the game and to make certain of the outcome, the Dragons pushed over two more runs in the bottom of the sixth.

One double-play was recorded in the fourth inning when Dragon keyman Peter Tiu froze Joey Grace's line drive and nailed Alvarez Souza off third base to squelch a rally.

As a matter of statistics, Lam pitched 150 balls of which 39 were strikes while Grace tossed 144 pitches, out of which 38 found the strike zone.

The Junior Men's Singles encounter between K. S. Thong of Chinese YMCA and F. M. Rozario of Recoelo promises to be a closely contested one. Both players have improved tremendously during the past year, particularly in the field of positional singles play.

Rozario has a clear advantage in stamina and has had some good practice at the Recoelo championships where he is already in the semi-final. It stage fright does not overcome him, he should enter the next round.

The Schoolboys' Singles between Wong Chong-ye of DBS and U Sol-lip of St Stephen's will see two players of nearly equal calibre, and will undoubtedly produce the best Schoolboys' match so far.

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The First Ball will be rung at 11.30 a.m. and the first race will be run at 12.00 Noon, each day. The tiffin interval is after the fourth race (1.30 p.m.).

There are eleven races each day (33 in all). The "Pearce Memorial Cup" is scheduled to be run on the Second Day, Wednesday, 28th February, Race No. 6 at 3.30 p.m.

Through Tickets at \$66.00 each may be obtained at the Comptroller Office of the Treasurers, 1st floor, Telephone House, also tickets at \$2.00 each for the Special Cash Sweep on the "Pearce Memorial Cup", the sale of which will close at 5.00 p.m. on Tuesday, 27th February.

Through Tickets reserved for this Meeting but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 23rd February, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future meetings.

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NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.
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Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.
The Treasurers' Comptroller Office and the Secretary's Office will close at 10.00 a.m. each day. Both offices at 1st Floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of tiffins will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Bay (Tel. 27818).

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The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

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Interesting Matches Tonight In Badminton Open Championships

By "ARGONAUT"

A few very interesting games should be seen at Craigengower Badminton hall tonight, when the Colony Badminton Open Championships continue with the Schoolboys, Junior and Ladies' events.

In what is expected to be the best match of the evening, the top seeded University pair will face a strong challenge from Chung Wah's K. C. Wong and K. Y. Tso in the Junior Men's Doubles. Both Wong and Tso are temperamental players who at their best form are capable of producing a major upset. The greater steadiness of the undergrads, especially when under pressure, should see them through this hard game.

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9.00 "Programme Summary" 9.02
Jack Frost (Studio) 9.30, Portuguese Half Hour (Radio) 7.00, World News and News Analysis (London Relay) 7.15, John Bull's Band, Popular "Hit" of Yesterday and Today, 7.40, Music of Richard Rodgers, 8.00, From the Editorials (London Relay) 8.10, Wynford Vaughan-Thomas is "Glad To Meet You" in the Promenade, 8.30, "I Like That I Like" Presented by Arthur White (Studio) 9.00, "Concerto" 10.00, Radio News Reel (London Relay) 10.15, News Report, 10.30, The Last of Castle Knecht, A Mystery Play by Giles Adams, 11.00, The Music of the Night, 11.15, Goodnight Music, 11.20, Weather Report, God Save The King, 11.30, Close Down.

Made False Report
To Police Charge

Charged with making a false report to the Police Hoi Pok-sang, 29, a coolie was remanded until tomorrow by Mr. Wicks at Kowloon Police Station. Hoi is alleged to have made a false report in the charge room of Tsimshatsui Police Station to the effect that he had been assaulted. Hoi pleaded not guilty to the offence.

Intelligence Test solution

(1) 24 goals were scored in all. (2) All goals were scored by the home team. (3) The team which scored the most goals was the home team. (4) The team which scored the fewest goals was the away team. (5) The team which scored the most goals was the home team. (6) The team which scored the fewest goals was the away team. (7) The team which scored the most goals was the home team. (8) The team which scored the fewest goals was the away team. (9) The team which scored the most goals was the home team. (10) The team which scored the fewest goals was the away team. (11) The team which scored the most goals was the home team. (12) The team which scored the fewest goals was the away team. (13) The team which scored the most goals was the home team. (14) The team which scored the fewest goals was the away team. (15) The team which scored the most goals was the home team. (16) The team which scored the fewest goals was the away team. (17) The team which scored the most goals was the home team. (18) The team which scored the fewest goals was the away team. (19) The team which scored the most goals was the home team. (20) The team which scored the fewest goals was the away team. (21) The team which scored the most goals was the home team. (22) The team which scored the fewest goals was the away team. (23) The team which scored the most goals was the home team. (24) The team which scored the fewest goals was the away team.

Check Your Knowledge

Answers
1. The Atlantic and Pacific Oceans. 2. A water-filled ditch around a castle. 3. Wyoming, Wisconsin, Washington and West Virginia. 4. Because it was originally made from the horns and hoofs of deer. 5. D. 6. The Capitan Sea.

Ferry Wharf Repairs Start—
And So Do The Queues!

Hundreds of workers who cross the harbour to the island by the Star Ferry service were late for work this morning. When they arrived at the Kowloon Wharf they found long queues stretching outside the terminal.

Cause: only one side of the wharf was in the process of being repaired for its annual repairs. Work on the Star Ferry's other three wharves will follow in due course. An official of the Company had one piece of welcome news for passengers this morning however: "This year's repairs will be completed much quicker than last year's. (Last year's repairs went on over three months.)"

The spokesman said every endeavour will be made to keep the service running as smoothly and with as little delay as possible.

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PENTTENTS PUT ON SACKCLOTH

OPTIMISM IN
MIDDLE
EAST

Istanbul, Feb. 18.
American Middle Eastern diplomats do not expect Communist aggression in the area this year, informed sources said today. The diplomats have been meeting here with American envoys. The talks, which opened on Feb. 14, have now ended, the sources said.

They added that three main points had emerged from the discussions:

1. There is little chance of overt Communist military or political aggression in the Middle East this year.
 2. American aid to strategically important Greece, Turkey and Iran, however, will be increased appreciably.
 3. Increased American military aid to the entire area will not be made at the expense of economic aid. Existing and scheduled ECA and Point Four type programmes will not be curtailed to meet costs of additional military aid.
- Optimism on chances for peace continuing through 1951 at least was based on two major factors:
1. The slow but gradual strengthening of this region's economic, political and military positions, resulting partly from such tangible evidence of United States support as the military and economic aid programme and the actual physical presence of at least some immediate American military support—the United States Sixth Fleet.
 2. The present Russian trend to woo rather than threaten and frighten her Southern neighbours. Recent evidence of this was the Russian Ambassador to Turkey's formal congratulations to the Iranian Ambassador in Ankara on the occasion of the Shah of Iran's marriage—United Press.

Alleged False
Pretences

Law Wai-man, 26, unemployed, was charged before Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning with obtaining money by false pretences from Tsang Kwong at the Koon Hoi Tea-house on Friday. It was alleged that defendant obtained \$40 from the complainant by pretending that he was in a position to obtain employment for Tsang on board the ss Tai Loi.

At the request of Sub-Ins. S.H. Yuen, defendant was remanded until tomorrow for further enquiries.

Tradition which reaches back to the 16th century binds members of the confraternity of Saccotti (sacco means a bag) to sackcloth and penance during some part of the period of Lent. Picture shows members of the confraternity, bearing the instruments of Christ's passion, in prayer at the church of St Sabina, Rome. —AP Picture.

STALIN 10
TIMES A
CANDIDATE

London, Feb. 18.
Marshal Stalin was a candidate for election in 10 constituencies in today's general elections in the Soviet Union.

Nearly 100,000,000 people, men and women, were voting in the one-party polls in 10 of the Union's 16 Republics, including Federal Russia itself. The Marshal was a candidate in Leningrad and in each of the other capitals.

He was certain to win, as were his nominees in the other constituencies, the Communist constitution allowing no opposition. Voting was for delegates to the Republic's Supreme Soviet, which are chiefly concerned with local finance and administration, as distinct from the All-Union Supreme Soviet which approves the Union's budget and decrees and laws issued by the All-Union Executive.

Folling is intended to show the precise percentage of voters and of approval for each official candidate. Last March, when deputies to the two Chambers of the All-Union Supreme Soviet were elected, an official statement said that 99.96 per cent of the electorate voted and that 99.93 per cent cast their votes for the nominated men.

The current elections were for Federal Russia, Latvia, Lithuania, Karelo-Finland, Georgia, Azerbaijan, Moldavia, Kirghizia, Tadzhikistan and Kazakhstan.

The other six Republics will vote next Sunday. Candidates elected today will hold office for four years. The elections are always held on a Sunday which is made a public holiday. Moscow assumed a holiday atmosphere for the elections. Red flags and huge portraits of Lenin and Stalin were displayed on main buildings everywhere. —Reuter.

Deportation
Verdict Awaited

Manila, Feb. 18.
President Quirino is expected to decide, probably today, whether the wealthy Chinese businessman Co Pak is to be deported from this country.

Mr. Quirino last night received from the Justice Secretary, Mr. Jose Bengzon, a report on his study of the papers on the Co Pak case and informed every day Mr. Bengzon found sufficient cause for Co Pak's deportation as allegedly "undesirable". Co Pak was charged before the Deportation Board with allegedly heading Communist front organizations, giving financial aid to the Chinese Reds and Huk who are seeking the overthrow of the government by force of arms, and engaging in other subversive activities. —United Press.

Victoria—Revels

The Victoria Revels concert party will be holding another revue on March 8 and 9 at the Seamen's Mission. The show, which will be in aid of The Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children, promises to be very gay and colorful, and several girls from the WRAC will be taking part. Bandmaster Howe, Argyle and Sutherland, Highlanders, will provide music for the show which will be compered by Ken Wilby and produced by Frederick Crockett.

Coolies Charged
With Robbery

Alleged to have been responsible for a robbery in an unnumbered hut at Li Uk Village yesterday three coolies Ho Pak, 24, Pong Sung, 21 and Chu Mei alias Chu Mei-hong, 26, were remanded for three days by Mr. Winter at Kowloon Police Station for further enquiries. All three are also alleged to have illegally had in their possession a dagger. They are alleged to have robbed Ma Chu-ying, Lewing Ngan-tai and Pung Tung, gold watches, rings and other valuables.

Bevin Off To
Eastbourne

London, Feb. 18.
The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, is to leave for the south coast resort of Eastbourne tomorrow. Mr. Bevin, who has been in poor health since 1949, contracted pneumonia about a month ago.

The Josephine
Moller Safe

The Josephine Moller, 1,300 ton freighter, which was reported to have been attacked by armed fishing junks 600 miles north of Hongkong yesterday afternoon was said by her owners, Messrs Mollers Ltd, this morning to be safe and continuing her voyage southwards. The vessel, which left Shanghai on Friday, was attacked off Chansan Island, Chekiang. So far no details of the attack have been received by her owners here in Hongkong.

New
Mediation
Efforts

Lake Success, Feb. 18.
The United Nations' new Korean mediation team will hold its first meeting tomorrow, determined to push peace efforts despite Communist China's announced boycott of its work.

The first problem the trio expects to tackle is how to establish informal contact with Peking in face of a formal snub from Mao Tse-tung's regime.

The mediators—the General Assembly President, Mr. Naorollah Entezam of Iran, Senator Padilla Nervo of Mexico and Mr. Sven Graffstrom of Sweden—have several channels open to them. The Swedish and Indian Ambassadors are in Peking and Mr. L. H. Lamb of Britain is en route to Mao's capital to take over as British Charge d'Affaires.

Observers here showed keen interest in the appointment of Mr. Lamb, who arrived in Hongkong today. Mr. Lamb, an "old China hand", had several conversations here with the Peking envoy, Mr. Wu Hsiu-chuan, last autumn and perhaps by coincidence flew from London to New York and returned in the same plane as Mr. Wu.

It was known then that Mr. Lamb would soon go to Peking, but it had not been anticipated that he would take over Britain's top diplomatic post there. Britain's overtures for an exchange of Ambassadors have been rebuffed by Mao. There was speculation that Mr. Lamb might well serve as the key contact and initiate the mediation attempt just as the Indian Ambassador, Mr. S. Panikkar, did during the abortive moves of the previous team. —United Press.

95 Hawks Fined

Ninety-five hawkers were each fined \$5 or 10 days by Mr. Wicks at Kowloon Police Station this morning for hawkling without a licence. The cases were heard at the Juvenile Court 131 children were each fined \$2 for a similar offence.

SIDE GLANCES
By Galbraith

CRIMINAL SESSIONS OPEN

Threatening
Letter Earns Man
Four Years

Pleading guilty on arraignment to uttering a letter demanding money with menaces, Chau Ting-kar, 20, was sentenced to four years' hard labour by the Acting Chief Justice, Mr. T. J. Gould, in the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, said that on December 19 last accused wrote and caused a letter to be delivered to Mak Ho-ye, a woman cook employed at No. 270, Prince Edward Road, demanding \$500. He also threatened the life of the victim in the event of non-payment of the money demanded or of the disclosure of the letter to the Police.

The victim, however, reported the matter to the Police who arranged a trap. A decoy letter was placed at a spot indicated in accused's letter, and when accused later came to collect it, he was arrested by the Police. The Prosecutor said that complainant did not know the accused who had no previous conviction.

Accused asked his Lordship for leniency in view of his age. **PRISON FOR BANISHEES**
An 18-year-old life banishee, Wong Kam, with convictions dating back to February, 1949, was sentenced to four years and six months by the Acting Chief Justice, Mr. T. J. Gould, in the Criminal Sessions this morning, when he pleaded guilty on arraignment to a charge of breach of the deportation order.

Passing sentence his Lordship said that accused had a bad record which included a number of larceny cases. The sentence is to be concurrent with the sentence of one month which accused is at present serving for simple larceny.

Ng Hung, 25, another life banishee, was sentenced to four years for the same offence. Four other life deportees were given three years and six months when they pleaded guilty to the same charge. They were Wong Ming-yu, 30, Young Chung-hing, 35, Shum Kau, 33, and Lo Wan, 19.

All had previous convictions. Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, prosecuted.

NATIONALISTS
EXECUTED

Four Nationalist army commanders captured on Hainan Island when that island fell to the Communists last year were executed by a firing squad in the northern suburb of Canton on February 18, according to vernacular Press reports this morning. Convinced by the Kwangtung Provincial People's Court on war-crime charges, the commanders, who were all natives of Kwangtung, were General Li Wang-tai, aged 49, commander of the Nationalist 62 Army; General Lo Mo-fun, aged 46, deputy commander of the 62 Army; General Chen Chek, aged 61, commander of the 321 Division; and General Cheung Tik-ling, aged 43, deputy commander of the 153 Division.

From The Files

100 Years
Ago

Abdoen Battle

At about 9 o'clock this morning information was given at the Police Station that some Man-tin Boats, having chased a fleet of pirates into the Bay of Aberdeen (Shok-pai-wan) were holding a desperate engagement and that the Government officers were likely to have the worst of it. Mr. Superintendent May, without a moment's delay, marshalled a company of Police, and within an hour arrived close on the field of action. Mr. Deputy Superintendent Caldwell, in the meantime, proceeded on board the war Steamer "Reynard" and that vessel's course, which had previously been intended on a picnic excursion, was turned in the direction of the combatants. The town was indeed all alive.

But the Steamer, the Police-boat, the Superintendent, his deputy, three inspectors, and the very cream of the force were all too late. Mr. Ma-leung-eng, a Mandarin of the fifth class, with eight vessels, and three hundred men had won the honour of capturing four boats, and nine out of the aggregate of the crews, of a hundred.

It appears that yesterday about 4 p.m. a boat proceeding from Hongkong, was boarded off Chung-chow by three piratical vessels, and plundered, not only the sum of \$200 but of clothes and sundries to the value of \$100 more. There happened to be two Chinese officers on board the plundered boat who, when left to pursue their course, hastened to lay their hard case before the Officer. Ma, who was to be lying with two fast sailing vessels under the Island of Pei-lai, that functionary immediately got under weigh, picking up other vessels on his way toward the delinquents, who were described this morning about four o'clock. A little before 8 a.m. they entered the Bay of Aberdeen, then a shot was fired, and the town and opened fire, which Commodore Ma gallantly returned, the shots however, committing more mischief on shore than on the objects to which they were directed. It was at this stage that the pirates left for the Victoria. Shortly afterwards the pirates left their vessels in a body hotly pursued for a short distance, and of the whole hundred only nine were taken. We are wrong, six others were afterwards captured by the British. Many of the others, will, in the course of the evening be safely lodged in Victoria Gaol.

Moxon Pleads
Not Guilty

Eric Douglas Vladimir Moxon, 23, pleaded not guilty before the Acting Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Gould, at the Criminal Sessions this morning to a charge of manslaughter. He is accused of having killed Chan Fat-tak, 25, on October 8 in Hennessy Road while driving car No. HK3138. Represented by Mr. John McNeill KC and Mr. B.V. Gilthrie (instructed by Mr. J.O. Stewart), Moxon was remanded for trial on \$500 bail.

Editorial

The renowned Chui-Apoo, for whose apprehension a Costa murder of Captain Da Costa and Lieutenant Dwyer Government offered a reward of two hundred dollars, is at last safely lodged in Victoria Gaol; having been, some ten days ago, waylaid, captured, and, on Sunday last, placed on board the H.C. Str. "Phlegathon" then lying off the factories at Canton. He alleges, we learn, from the "Wingon Register" for some time past he has held office under the Chinese Government. If this proves to be true, and we know no reason to doubt it, the British may echo the charge of the Portuguese that outrages of the deep-sea, when committed by the person of the "barbarian" are sanctioned and approved by the high officers of this race; the higher the rank of the victim, the greater, doubtless, being the reward. Previous to the sad catastrophe, Chui-Apoo was well known in Wong-Ma-Kok as a man proscribed by the Government of his country. The measure which Plenipotentiary Sir Samuel Bonham may see fit to take in his negotiations with the Government on this business, will altogether determine his true status as an Envoy. If the crime of patrolling this blood-thirsty mercenary is a deed to be fixed upon Viceroy Sea, then we say, let us join heart and hand with the Portuguese, and teach the Chinese a lesson, without further delay, they shall really never forget. Chui-Apoo (or as he styles himself, Kuo Apoo) is 30 years of age and, personally, is but little to be dreaded.

Petrol Hidden
In Cabin

A fine of \$200 was imposed on Chau Bul, 31, master of a junk numbered 6712 by Mr. Wicks at Kowloon Police Station this morning for attempting to export five drums of petrol. Inspector Orem said the defendant's junk was intercepted off Sha Chau Island yesterday afternoon and the petrol found hidden in a cabin. The petrol was ordered to be confiscated.

Snatched Handbag

For snatching a handbag from a woman in Shanghai Street yesterday afternoon Wong Ping-lai, a 31-year-old unemployed, was sentenced to two months imprisonment and eight strokes of the cane and ordered to be expelled by Mr. Wicks at Kowloon Police Station.